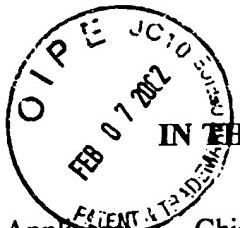


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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated November 15, 2001, the following documents are enclosed for the subject application:

- 1) A copy of the foregoing Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (Confirmation No. 1464);
- 2) A Patent Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by both named inventors;
- 3) Our check no. 20524 in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the small entity surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e).

If any additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 15-0508, or credit any overpayment. The Commissioner is hereby generally authorized under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) to treat any future reply in this or any related application filed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53 requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor, and the Commissioner is hereby specifically

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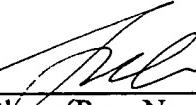
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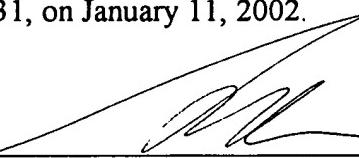
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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